

State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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February 24, 1997

Duane Crutchfield Ash Grove Cement Company P.O. Box 51 Nephi, Utah 84648

Re:

Permit Review Status, County Canyon Mine, M/023/024, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Crutchfield:

On December 31, 1996, the Division received Ash Grove Cement Company's plan amendment for the County Canyon mine. Due to a backlog of other permit reviews, the Division will not be able to complete a review of this plan within the usual 30-day timeframe. A tentative review was carried out by myself in order that the operator could hopefully update the things that were missing and needed to complete the review. Please accept our apology for the delay and any inconvenience this may cause you.

On February 14,1996 I met onsite with Duane Wise and traveled to the County Canyon minesite and discussed current operations as well as future expansion plans. It was based on these discussions that the operator was given ideas on how they needed to improve their current plan submittal to include the neccessary permitting items. The items discussed on site and in the office with Mr. Wise and Mr. Robinson included the following:

- 1.) The current proposal does not delineate the disturbed area within the permit area and as such the bond does not reflect actual disturbance on the ground and proposed disturbance. The discussion lead to the operator improving their maps to be more specific regarding actual disturbance within the permitted area.
- 2.) The second item discussed was mining plans and and reclamation plans and how this information would need to be spelled out in the plan and shown on a map in order that an accurate bond could be calculated. I explained that the areas of reclamation treatment would need to be spelled out in order that the bond could reflect these items. For example, the pads would be ripped and drill seeded involving a certain cost per acre. A drainage would need to be reconstructed involving a certain cost per linear foot, then the Robert Ripped and 5 EEO, Ere.
- 3.) An example bonding form was given to Duane Wise during the inspection to show how we need reclamation costs broken out for our review. It also was stressed that the costs need to reflect reclamation treatments shown on a map, acreage wise.

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CALLED DUNNE WISE FEB 24 REGARDING MAPS + ROAD ISSUE. SAID HE WOULD FOLLOW UP ON THIS.

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We hope to complete our review of your application after we receive the updated information talked about during our on-site inspection. We appreciate your patience and understanding in this regard. Please contact me if you have questions or concerns with this proposed review schedule.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson Senior Reclamation Specialist

jb cc: Duane Wise M023024.ltr